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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Attorney Docket No. 10011.002300 (P1240)

First Inventor Mark A. Neil

Title Automated Focusing of Electron Image

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110303**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

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| <p>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)</p> <p>2. <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.</p> <p>3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specification [Total Pages 19]
(preferred arrangement set forth below) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Descriptive title of the Invention - Cross Reference to Related Applications - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix - Background of the Invention - Brief Summary of the Invention - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) - Detailed Description - Claim(s) - Abstract of the Disclosure </p> <p>4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C.113) [Total Sheets 11]</p> <p>5. Oath or Declaration [Total Sheets 3] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Newly executed (original or copy) b. <input type="checkbox"/> Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))
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Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b). </p> <p>6. <input type="checkbox"/> Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76</p> | <p>7. <input type="checkbox"/> CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)</p> <p>8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
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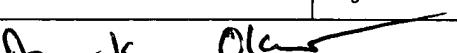
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Signature			Date November 3, 2003

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 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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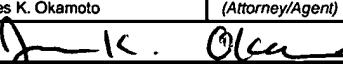
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		1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet.	
		1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
		1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	
		1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
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		1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
		1252	420	2252	210	Extension for reply within second month	
		1253	950	2253	475	Extension for reply within third month	
		1254	1,480	2254	740	Extension for reply within fourth month	
		1255	2,010	2255	1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	
		1401	330	2401	165	Notice of Appeal	
		1402	330	2402	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
		1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing	
		1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
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		1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
		8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	40
		1809	770	2809	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
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I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

November 3, 2003

Date

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